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circa 1870

ELK RIVER FARM

Elkton

Private

Gothic Revival houses are rare on the Elk Neck peninsula. Of those that remain, this residence on Elk River Farm is the most elaborate of these late 19th century structures. The imposing three story frame house has retained most of its exterior ornament. The 1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson atlas indicates the farm was owned by a John T. Pryor.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

File # 593

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Elk River Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Field Point Road

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Gen Charles Holt Jr.

Telephone #: 398-6155

STREET & NUMBER

R D 1

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21921

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: WAS 14 RRC 17
Folio #: 9 137

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Elk River Farm House c. 1870 is located down a long evergreen lined lane off Old Field Point road. The 3 story Balloon Frame structure faces south with an east/west compass orientation. The house commands a majestic view of the Elk River.

The main block is 5 bays across by one room deep with a typical center hall plan. A 3 story rear T section extends to the north. Single story shed roof additions fill in the inside corners. The entire house rests on an uncoursed stone foundation and is sheathed with novelty siding. The steeply pitched roof is covered with wood shingle.

The main 5 bay facade has a central entrance with a double molded panel late 19th century door with transom and sidelights. The 2/2 sash windows have extended sills and untels and paneled shutters on the first and louvered on the second and third. The third floor windows are much smaller and approximately square. A central pointed arch 2/2 sash illuminates the cross-gable. It too has shutters to match its shape. The eaves are extended and decorated with a pierced fascia. The front porch roof is supported by champhered columns with paneled plinths. Scrolled corner brackets also add decoration.

The east and west gable ends have two 2/2 sash on each floor and extended eaves with a pierced bargeboard. Stuccoed interior end stove stacks protrude out of each gable.

The rear section has similar detailing. It has a larger interior end chimney in the north gable. Single story shed additions fill the inside corners of the T plan.

The interior could not be fully investigated but appeared to retain most of its late 19th century woodwork.

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Elk River Farm is an excellent example of a late 19th century structure with most if not all its early architectural features. The house is the only one of its kind in the area and should be protected from pending development. The house was owned by John T. Pryor in 1877.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul B. Touart Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

6/8/78

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Cecil County Courthouse398-7568

CITY OR TOWN

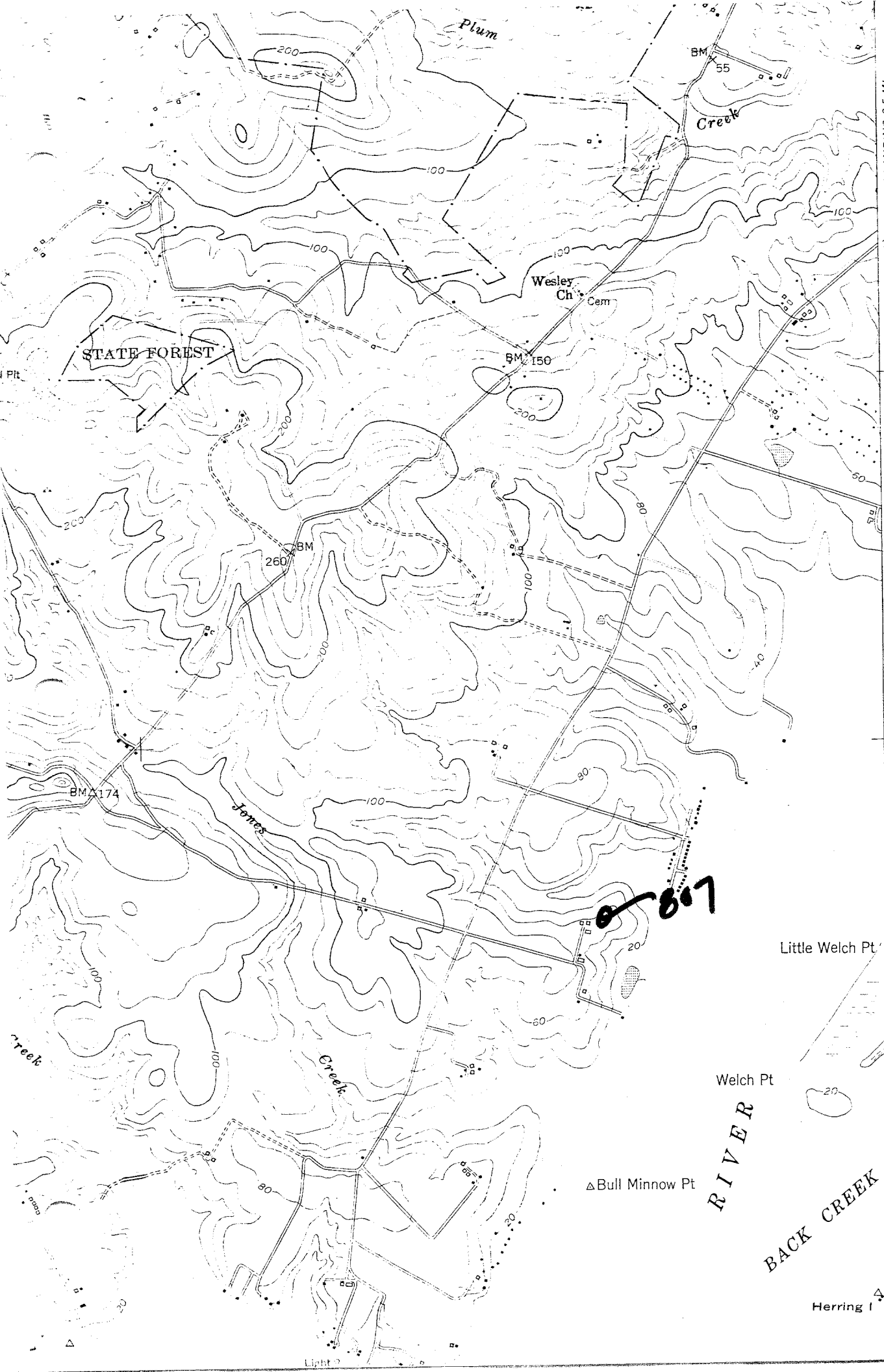
STATE

ElktonMaryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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NORTH
EAST
QUAD.



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ELIX RIVER FARM

SOUTH ELEVATION

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ELK RIVER FARM

OLDFIELD POINT, MA.

EASTERN ELEVATION

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